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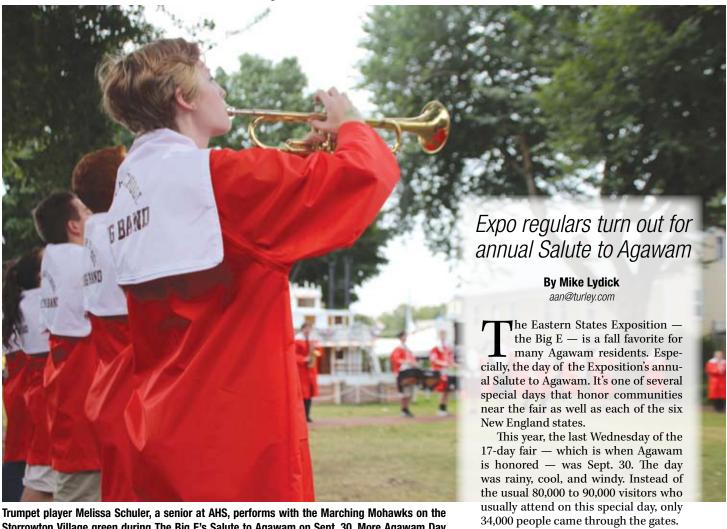
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BIGE

Rain or shine, it's still fair weather



Storrowton Village green during The Big E's Salute to Agawam on Sept. 30. More Agawam Day photos on page 11. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MIKE LYDICK

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SCHOOL STREET PARK

Park area parking ban nixed

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

Citing overwhelming opposition from local residents, the Agawam City Council on Monday unanimously dropped a proposed parking ban for School Street.

The denial of the parking ban ordinance would seem to end a longstanding debate over how to address parking and traffic concerns surrounding concerts and other large events held at School Street Park.

Several School Street residents attended the Oct. 5 City Council meeting. Each person who addressed the council spoke against the ordinance. Councilor Cecilia Calabrese, who chairs the Community Relations Subcommittee, noted the council received several phone calls, emails and letters from School Street residents speaking out against the parking

"We only had one person say they were in favor of the parking ban," said Calabrese. "I think the feedback speaks for itself."

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Fair honors 3 from town

By Mike Lydick aan@turley.com

Rachel Pokorny has been coming to the Big E since before she was born 25 years ago. In fact, her mother went into labor with Pokorny at the Exposition just days after the fair ended.

"The next year I was here in my stroller. I haven't missed a year since," said Pokorny, one of three Agawam residents presented with a Host of the Day award this year. Pokorny has managed the Sam Adams Beer Garden for the past four years.

Poknorny, the great-granddaughter of hockey legend Eddie Shore, grew up working at the Exposition for her family's business, Eddie Shore Enterprises. In addition to operating the beer garden, the Agawam-based company runs several Exposition concession stands throughout the year.

"You have so many fans, friends, and connections at the Exposition," said

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Rachel Pokorny, who manages the Sam Adams Beer Garden, received a Host of the Day award. The great-granddaughter of hockey legend Eddie Shore, she works for the family concession and food business at the Exposition that he started in 1956. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MIKE LYDICK



KIWANIS CLUB

Cichetti, Sirois will dance for good causes

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

Agawam will be represented by two men as they take on the very stiff competition in the second annual Dancing with the Local Stars competition.

The dancing competition is similar to the television show, with contestants getting the opportunity to dance twice in front of judges before a winner is chosen. Money raised from the event goes to the West Springfield and Agawam Kiwanis Club as well as donations made to a charity of a contestant's choosing.

For the second straight year, City Councilor James Cichetti will be participating in the event. He

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Brothers in sacrifice



Brian Willette from the Military Order of the Purple Heart, left, and John Connelly of Florida attach poppy flowers to the Edward Connelly Memorial outside Agawam High School on Sept. 29. John, who grew up in Agawam and was Edward's younger brother, was invited to participate in the annual commemoration of Edward Connelly's life and service. A Marine Corps helicopter pilot, he died in Vietnam in 1968, seven years after graduating from AHS. Story in next week's Agawam Advertiser News. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY

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Lioness to host Mohegan Sun trip

The Agawam Lioness Club will host a trip to Mohegan Sun Sunday, Nov. 15. Anyone interested in going is asked to be at the Agawam High School parking lot at 750 Cooper St. at noon. The cost is \$33 per person, which includes bus driver's tip, a \$15 food voucher and a \$15 free bet voucher. Proceeds from this trip will be used for the various charities the Agawam Lioness Club supports. The public is invited. Early reservations are encouraged, as seats are limited. For reservations, call Pat at 413-786-1782 or Rose at 413-786-5134.

Beer, wine tasting to benefit Leonard House

The Harvest Craft Beer and Wine Tasting at the Captain Charles Leonard House is next Friday.

The annual event — this year's is 6-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16 — has been held for the past five years, helping to introduce a new generation to the venue where their parents and grandparents may have attended club meetings or learned to square dance. The house is at 663 Main St., Agawam.

John and Manon McCarthy, owners of McCarthy's Liquors in Agawam and Johnny Mac Liquors in Springfield, are sponsoring the tasting for the fifth consecutive year, and again donating 100 percent of the ticket sales to the nonprofit organization.

"We see how much care and effort the trustees continually put into the property," John McCarthy said. "We are happy to help them preserve this Agawam landmark."

Philip Kimball, vice president of the house's board of trustees, said this event has gained in popularity each year, and that anyone interested in attending should purchase tickets as soon as possible. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. He added, "The trustees are very appreciative of the McCarthys' generosity."

More than 50 wines and an equal number of craft beers will be offered at the event, at a range of prices. Distributors' representatives will present the selections and answer questions. A variety of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will also be offered. Door

prizes will also be raffled the night of the tasting. Trustees of the Captain Leonard



McCarthy's Liquors of Agawam will host a benefit craft beer and wine tasting to raise funds for the continued preservation of the historic Captain Charles Leonard House on Oct. 16. SUBMITTED PHOTO

House will also be on hand to provide tours of the house.

Tickets to the event are \$15 per person and are available at McCarthy's Liquors, 430 Main St., Agawam, and Johnny Mac Liquors, 1949 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, or by calling the Captain Charles Leonard House at 413-786-9421. Attendees must be at least 21 years old.

The Captain Charles Leonard House was built in 1805 as a stage tavern on the Hartford-Boston route. It has served as Agawam's Community House since 1939, when Minerva Davis restored the property and created the nonprofit organization that operates the house. The house was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1975, and occupies a prominent location in the Agawam Center National Register Historic District. The house is available to rent for business functions and social events. For more information, call 413-786-9421 or visit www.captainleonardhouse.com.



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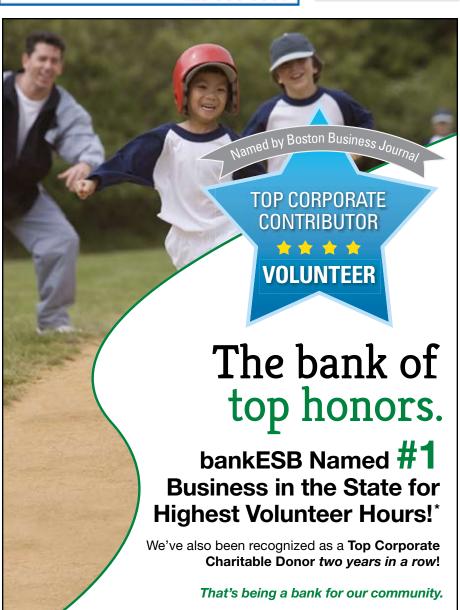
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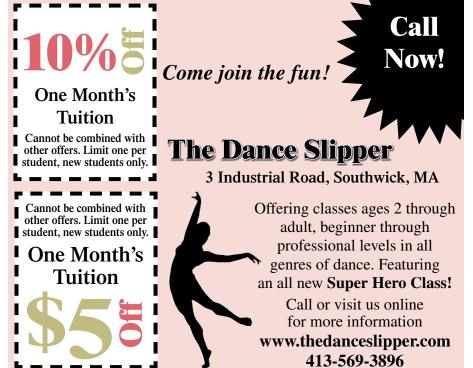


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No suspension for The Still

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

The City Council is satisfied that The Still is working to limit its noise impact on the surrounding neighborhood.

Councilors voted unanimously this week to take no action on an Administrative Subcommittee recommendation to suspend the Southgate Plaza bar's entertainment license. The suspension had been proposed after noise complaints and a delay in installing soundproofing equipment at the bar earlier this year.

"It took a lot longer for the owners to get the soundproofing equipment installed," said Stephen Buoniconti, a lawyer representing the bar. "It was not something they had anticipated. It is a very long process to get soundproofing materials. You have to have testing done, filed by a person to design the equipment, and then time to get it manufactured."

Buoniconti said sound testing was conducted by a firm in June. Testing was also performed on Sept. 18, about three weeks after the soundproofing equipment was installed.

"The sound was much improved after the equipment had been installed," said Buoniconti. "I believe my client has addressed the sound issues and the neighbor's concerns in good faith."

At the council's Oct. 5 meeting, Councilor Robert Rossi, who chairs the Administrative Subcommittee, agreed to withdraw the recommendation for a suspension.

Several councilors said they did not

Squires Bistro at Cooper's Commons,

159 Main St., Agawam, will host "Jour-

ney to Connection: An Evening of Spirit

Messages," from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday,

discuss how those in spirit bring messages,

share stories from her work as a spirit mes-

senger and will deliver messages randomly

throughout the audience.

Jess Steinman, psychic medium, will

want to affect a person's business by imposing sanctions after issues have been addressed.

'We are talking about affecting a person's livelihood if we issue a suspension," said Councilor Cecilia Calabrese.

Councilor George Bitzas posed questions about the number of complaints that had been made and whether they had come from several of neighbors. Buoniconti said the number of people complaining was limited to just "a few" neighbors that live near the back of the bar.

There have been just two complaints since the City Council got involved. Both of the complaints were unfounded, according to police reports.

Councilor Joseph Mineo said he personally visited The Still and walked around the back of the business to listen for noise. He said he and Councilor Anthony Suffriti compared the noise to that made by Six Flags.

He was nearly cut off by Council President Christopher Johnson because Six Flags was on the agenda, but Mineo said his point was about precedent.

What kind of precedent are we setting if we impose sanctions against The Still and Six Flags makes more noise," said Mineo.

Councilor Gina Letellier said she was satisfied with Buoniconti's testimony that soundproofing equipment was installed and working well. She also said the police reports she read suggested the last time a responding police felt noise at The Still was excessive was on Dec. 19, 2014.

The council was unanimous in its decision to take no action against The Still.

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Legislators presented a \$100,000 grant to school officials at the Agawam Junior High School auditorium last week. Pictured, from left, are state Sen. Donald Humason Jr., teacher and drama club set designer Ed Jacques, chorus teacher Erin Hanson, principal Norm Robbins, librarian and drama club assistant Lisa Bruno, Superintendent William Sapelli and state Rep. Nicholas Boldyga. TURLEY PUBLICA-TIONS PHOTO BY MIKE LYDICK

Jr. High auditorium set for makeover

By Michael J. Ballway

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It's lights out for the outdated lamps, last hurrah for the old sound system and curtains for the Agawam Junior High School auditorium's frayed and worn-out, well, curtains.

Thanks to a \$100,000 grant from the state Legislature, the school is giving its performance space a makeover this fall, the first such update since the building opened in 1973, and a longstanding low-priority want for administrators and arts teachers.

These are things that are always on our wish list, and end up being trimmed when budgets are tight," said Superintendent William Sapelli.

The auditorium seats about 500, Sapelli said. In addition to hosting performances, it serves as a classroom and rehearsal space for the 220 students in the school chorus and about 150 school band musicians.

State Rep. Nicholas Boldyga, R-Southwick, said he was the one who passed on a request for the auditorium project from Sapelli to state Sen. Donald Humason Jr., R-Westfield. Both legislators represent Agawam, and both sit on their respective Ways and Means committees.

"Budgets have been very tight," Boldyga said. "It was nice to be able to get a very small dollar amount that obviously will go a long way.

Replacing the red fireproof curtain and gray - they have faded from their original black - valences is expected to cost between \$49,000 and \$55,000, said school principal Norm Robbins. The new drapery will all be gray, and is projected to arrive in November.

Using the remaining funds, school officials plan to update the lighting and sound systems, and repaint the walls. Work on the sound system will begin first, as early as this week. The walls will be repainted from salmon-pink to gray to match the curtains.

The back wall of the stage will be repaired and painted a neutral color. That wall currently has cracks and holes, in addition to a full-stage mural depicting a mountain landscape scene. Robbins said he is trying to track down the original mural artist, who signed his or her name as "V. Cole, Agawam Repertoire Theatre Inc.," in 1976.

The stage floor could also use work. Robbins said he hopes a home improvement store might donate the materials, and town workers could perform the labor, to resurface the stage.

Six Flags hosting food drive Saturday

Proceeds from the event will benefit neys.org.

Medium to read 'Spirit Messages' this Friday

This Saturday, Six Flags New England will host its annual "Wicked Food Drive" to support the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts. Guests who bring in six non-perishable food items will get \$20.15 off main gate admission, a 30 percent savings. Those who donate 20 or more non-perishables will get a free ticket to the park for the day, valued at \$61.99. All food will be donated to the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts.

Six Flags is at 1623 Main St., Agawam, and will be open from noon to 11 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10.

This year, Six Flags New England plans to collect over 3,320 food items, one for each foot of track on the new Wicked Cyclone ride, to support the growing local need for food. One in eight people living in Western Massachusetts face hunger every day. Six Flags New England wants to make sure every person has access to the food they need this fall. Founded in 1983, the Food Bank has the largest service area of any food bank in Massachusetts.

Library presentation to discuss 'Mysterious Mass.'

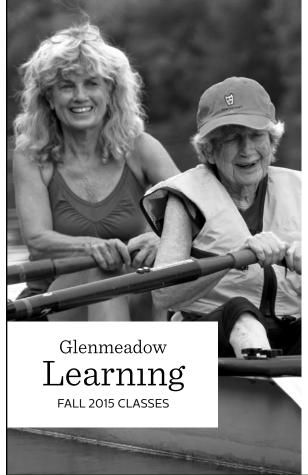
Sarah Hodge-Wetherbe will return to the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St., at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 19, with her presen-

tation of "Mysterious Massachusetts." Every state has its ghost stories, but no other state has the Dover Demon or the Salem Witch Trials. From seaside ghosts to UFOs over the Berkshires, Massachusetts has a rich history of paranormal legends, odd events and strange denizens.

Hodge-Wetherbe will focus on some of the most famous of Massachusetts' paranormal incidents throughout the state's history. For more information, visit www. panelsbygeekgal.com.

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Make sure we're fixing current golf problems

t's been said over and over again, over the past two years, that the Agawam Municipal Golf Course needs to pay its bills. There's no question about that. But "did not" pay its bills and "can not" pay its bills are two different things, and city councilors — despite their understandable frustration with the golf course's management — should make sure their solutions address the problem they face today.

At first, the golf course couldn't pay its bills — the operation was a money-losing millstone around the neck of the town budget. Through the leadership of General Manager Tony Roberto and a little luck with weather, the links have returned to profitability. The course is, or at least, should be, still on the hook to pay back the tens of thousands of dollars that it received in aid from the town's general fund during the previous year, but it's nonetheless turning a profit in terms of current expenses and current revenues.

But this summer, the golf course simply didn't pay a couple of its bills — not on time, at least. That drew the attention of a City Council already frustrated with recent golf course bailouts and under pressure from constituents — taxpayers — to ensure that the golf course ceases to be a financial burden.

Roberto says the bills were overlooked because he's overextended. He said last week that this summer, he even pulled shifts at the clubhouse grill after the chef left. It's not reasonable to expect the same person to flip burgers, book tee times, oversee the grounds, run the marketing, plan strategically, answer to town government and balance the account books. Of course, it would have been better to hear him ask for help before the end of the fiscal year in June. But whether it's more staff at the golf course, or in-kind services from town financial officers, Roberto's request makes sense.

It at least addresses the problem before us today - invoice management. As the council rightly pursues any changes that would make the golf course more efficient, it needs to be careful not to throw out the baby with the bathwater.

Getting out of the golf business entirely, for example, would solve every problem but one — what to do with all that acreage in Feeding Hills. The town bought this golf course for a reason. To sell the land to developers would mean hundreds of additional children in the school system, at a net loss to the tax-

Converting the golf course from a quasi-independent enterprise fund to an integral part of the town budget doesn't solve any problems — a town department can be mismanaged just as easily as an enterprise. What it would do is institutionalize the notion that taxpayers should be bailing out the golf course, and would make it more difficult for the golf course to bank its profits, in good years, to make up for the inevitable shortfalls in bad (cold, rainy, economically depressed) years.

Roberto has already brought the golf course back to profitability, which was the council's top priority. The council now needs to make sure that its general manager has the tools to run the course efficiently. And then it needs to do what it always wanted to do — get out of the way and let a profitable enterprise

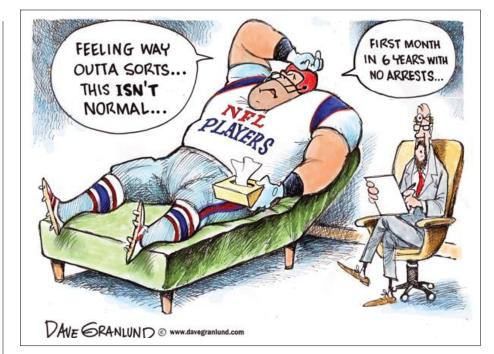
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Letters to the Editor

Corinne Wingard deserves your vote on Election Day

The voters of Agawam have an opportunity to place Corinne Wingard on the Agawam City Council this November. Wingard brings expertise in housing for all as well as great background in environmental issues.

Wingard is a hard worker on bringing together people with differing viewpoints and reaching a consensus that is good for the community. This can also apply to melding City Council, the mayor, and the

School Committee and reach common

Agawam voters can bring a lifelong resident with so many skills and abilities to our council by placing a checkmark alongside the name Corinne Wingard on Election

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Bitzas stands 'heads above the rest' on council

I write to share my support for city councilman George Bitzas. Mr. Bitzas has always been a strong advocate for the seniors in Agawam. He helped to bring the new Senior Center to reality as chairman of the Senior Center Exploratory Committee and as vice chair of the Senior Center Building Committee. He also voted for and supported for all of us increasing the senior

Mr. George Bitzas stands "head above the rest" next to any other councilor and is truly a man of the people. In addition, he is a member of the Friends of the Senior Center and a recent recipient of the prestigious Andrew Gallano Award given by the Council on Aging for his continued support of and service to the senior citizens of

It is for these reasons and many more that I ask you to join me in voting for George Bitzas on Election Day, Nov. 3, for his re-election to the City Council.

> **Chet Comins** Agawam

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> **Stephanie Douglass** Agawam

Theroux uniquely qualified to be councilor

vant or a more qualified person for the job of councilor for the town of Agawam than Richard M. Theroux. Richard and I have known each other since I was the mayor of the city of Springfield. I know he can be

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Donahue, Norma T.

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Mesick, Alan E.

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Nolan, Florence

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Shea, Ann P.

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Werner, Ruth J.

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Community Newspapers

FAITH MATTERS

Faith really matters

hristianity in America is facing a challenge which it has never faced before. It is a challenge to faith in God. People are debating where the church

is today and asking themselves if it even has influence in our culture. Some say there is no place for the church; it is irrelevant. Others believe the church should compromise its biblical principles. They dismiss the authoritative nature of the Word of God, claiming that life principles should be interpreted through culture rather than scriptures. Notice what God, through Peter, writes in 1 Peter 1:17 and 1 Peter

2:11 — we are to live as strangers in the world, as pilgrims passing through.

The church today has become alien to our culture. The church was always the most prominent building found in the center of the town, with a steeple pointing to heaven. While the church has always affected the strength of family, it also influenced American history as seen in our independence from Britain and the abolition of slavery.

church and many in our culture do not even attempt to align themselves with a modest morality. They don't seem to be concerned about heaven or hell. Our education system has removed the Bible, stopped prayer, teaches alternative lifestyles as normal and has declared war on biblical standards.

We ask a question. Does faith matter? Do we stand on our faith or do we go along

with the cultural changes and not cause conflict? There is a small minority that wants to isolate faith, to remove it, to quiet those who have it.

Colleges are eliminating Christian groups from their campuses, saving that you cannot discriminate on who can be chosen to lead your group. You cannot say that the leader must be a Christian. Where does our own allegiance reside? It is with

Our faith is what separates us from the culture. We have chosen to love Jesus, not the world. Jesus warns us, saying in John 15:18, "If the world hates you, keep in mind

Faith says, "I am not ashamed of the gospel. The vocal minority that doesn't believe in God will not change my mind."

We are in a fight for faith and as "the church" we must fight with: prayer, our lifestyle, in the voting booths, in the marketplaces and in the Spirit. Faith really

Richard E. Adams is senior pastor at Bethany Assembly of God.

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- Call to order
- 2. Moment of silence
- 3. Roll call of attendance
- 4. Regular meeting 7 p.m.
- 5. Citizen's Speak Time
- 6. Highlights on Education: Best Buddies Club Presentation
- 7. Superintendent's Notes
- 8. Student Advisory Committee representative update
- 9. Unfinished Business:
- a. SCR-15-17, Approval of the Let's Gogh Art after-school program at Granger School
- b. SCR-15-18, Approval of MASC voting and alternate delegates
- c. SCR-15-19, MASC Resolutions
- d. SCR-15-20, Approval of AHS graduation ceremony at Symphony Hall on Sunday, June 5, 2016 10. Business meeting:

- a. Routine Matters
- 1) Approval of Minutes
- 2) Calendar/Correspondence
- b. Warrants/Transfers
- c. Reports:
- 1) Scheduled Reports: Student/Teacher Enrollment (paper report)
- HS Course Elimination (paper report)
- AP and SAT Scores (paper report)
- Title I Update Dr. LeClair
- 2). Subcommittee Updates
- 11. New Business

a. SCR-15-21, Approval to establish the Best Buddies Club with two advisors as an extracurricular activity at Agawam High School

b. SCR-15-22, Acceptance of a \$1,000.00 donation from Berkshire Bank to purchase a computer for the James Clark School library

c. SCR-15-23, Approval for Music Speaks to use the AJHS auditorium for a recital on Dec. 5, 2015

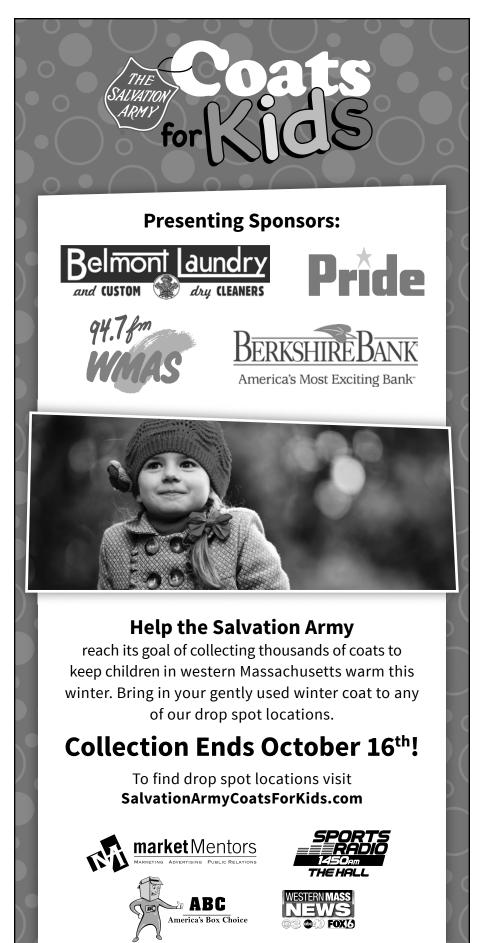
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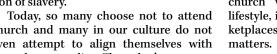
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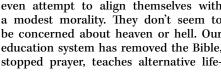
Cultural Council seeks new members

The Agawam Cultural Council will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20, at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. The meeting is open to the public.

A great opportunity exists with the Agawam Cultural Council for anyone with an interest in providing diverse cultural events for the town. This all-volunteer organization, appointed by the mayor and funded, in part, by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, is looking for new members. The ACC is charged with bringing engaging, entertaining, and educational events and opportunities in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences, to children and adults from Agawam and the surrounding communities.









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Agawam High School counseling bulletin

Open Houses: Those interested in meeting with any of the following college or university representatives must sign up at least one day in advance in the Counseling Center: University of New England, 8:30 a.m., Tuesday; University of St. Joseph (Connecticut), 10 a.m., Tuesday; Fisher College, 12:30 p.m., Tuesday; Fitchburg State University, 8 a.m., Wednesday; Western New England University, 10 a.m., Thursday; Quinnipiac University, noon, Friday.

College Fair: Admissions staff members from more than 80 colleges and universities will be visiting Agawam High School for a college fair on Friday, Oct. 23, from 8:15 to 10 a.m. Students should prepare a list of questions to ask college representatives.

National Hispanic College Fair: AIC will be hosting this event on Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Register online at www.collegefair.info/.

Special interest programs

Springfield College will host a free Game Lab Workshop on Saturday, Oct. 17. This program will allow students to talk with video game industry experts, experience the field firsthand, get to see how games are made and what it takes to make a game of their own. Register at springfieldcollege.edu/gamelab.

Bay Path University will hold "A Night of Forensics, Justice, and Science" Wednesday, Oct. 28. Experience hands-on activities and hear about career options in the forensics, science and justice fields. Register at baypath.

Springfield College is again offering the chance for current juniors and seniors to take up to one free course in the spring and summer semesters through the "College Now" program. This is a great way to earn college credits while in high school while trying courses that may be helpful in exploring a potential career interest. See your counselor for details.

Elms College is offering an Advanced Placement program which allows eligible students to enroll in one

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three-credit course in the spring semester and receive full college transfer credit to the Elms or another academic institution of their choice. While tuition is waived, students will pay a \$20 registration fee and \$50 technology fee. Registration for the spring semester is Jan. 20. Those interested should see their counselor for more information.

STCC is again offering the chance for current juniors and seniors to take up to one free course in the spring and summer semesters through the College Now program. This is an opportunity to earn college credits while in high school while trying courses that may be helpful in exploring a potential career interest. Those interested should see their counselor for more information.

WNEU will offer a five-week mini law school program for students interested in a career in law. This is offered Tuesdays, Oct. 20 through Nov. 17, from 6-8 p.m. It is offered free of charge for any high school student with a valid student identification. Register at wne.edu/mini-

Scholarship information

Students should see their counselor or visit the websites for more information or an application.

Big Y Scholarship; John F. Kennedy Library Foundation; U.S. Senate Youth Scholarship Program; Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps.

Meritaid.com: On this free website, students can complete a profile and then access the college merit scholarships that match their profile. This organization does not sell its email lists to third parties. The site includes a comprehensive directory of merit scholarships and academic scholarships across the country.

Did You Know: The first guest to enter Disneyland was a college student named Dave MacPherson. He didn't ride a single attraction because he had to get back to school. He was awarded a lifelong ticket to Disneyland (with up to three guests). The ticket has since extended to include Disney parks around the world.

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School Lunch

AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, Oct. 12: Columbus Day. No school. Tuesday, Oct. 13: Pancakes with syrup, sliced ham, hash brown, fresh and chilled fruit.

Wednesday, Oct. 14: Chicken filet wrap with assorted sauce served with lettuce, tomato and cheese, pasta salad, fresh and chilled fruit.

Thursday, Oct. 15: Assorted calzones, garden salad with light dressing, warm breadstick, fresh and chilled fruit.

Friday, Oct. 16: Grilled chicken sandwich, lettuce and tomato, low-fat potato chips, brownie hatter pudding, carrots and ranch dressing, fresh and chilled fruit.

AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, Oct. 12: Columbus Day. No school. Tuesday, Oct. 13: Hot dog on a whole-wheat roll with condiments, baked beans, low-fat Doritos, fresh and chilled fruit.

Wednesday, Oct. 14: Cheeseburger on a wholewheat roll with lettuce and tomato, French fries, fresh and chilled fruit.

Thursday, Oct. 15: Diced chicken with gravy over mashed potatoes, seasoned vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.

Friday, Oct. 16: Ultra-grain French bread cheese pizza, salad with light dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, baked cookie

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Monday, Oct. 12: Columbus Day. No school. Tuesday, Oct. 13: Hot dog on a whole-wheat roll with condiments, baked beans, low-fat Doritos.

fresh and chilled fruit.

Wednesday, Oct. 14: Whole-grain pancakes with sliced ham, hash browns, strawberry cup, or

Thursday, Oct. 15: Diced chicken with gravy over mashed potatoes, seasoned vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.

Friday, Oct. 16: Ultra-grain French bread cheese pizza, salad with light dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, baked cookie.

ROBINSON PARK SCHOOL

Monday, Oct. 12: Columbus Day. No school.

Tuesday, Oct. 13: Hot dog on a whole-wheat roll with condiments, baked beans, low-fat Doritos, fresh and chilled fruit.

Wednesday, Oct. 14: Whole-grain pancakes with sliced ham, hash browns, strawberry cup, orange juice.

Thursday, Oct. 15: Ultra-grain French bread cheese pizza, salad with light dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, baked cookie

Friday, Oct. 16: Diced chicken with gravy over mashed potatoes, seasoned vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.

ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST MENU

Monday, Oct. 12: Columbus Day. No school. Tuesday, Oct. 13: Assorted low-sugar cereal, 1

percent low-fat milk, assorted Nutri-Grain bars. mozzarella cheese string, chilled juice. Wednesday, Oct. 14: Assorted low-sugar cereal, 1

percent low-fat milk, assorted muffins, mozzarella cheese string, chilled juice. Thursday, Oct. 15: Assorted low-sugar cereal, 1

percent low-fat milk, assorted Trix yogurt, mozzarella cheese string, chilled juice. Friday, Oct. 16: Pillsbury mini chocolate chip pancakes with syrup for dipping, mozzarella cheese

string, chilled 1 percent low-fat milk, chilled

Scary story submissions due next week

Entries are due for the Agawam Historical Association's "Scary Story" writing contest, open to third- through sixth-graders, has an entry deadline of Friday, Oct. 16.

Stories must be no more than four pages long, typed and double-spaced, and set in the 1700s at the historic Thomas Smith House on 251 N. West St. in Feeding Hills. Each story must start with "It was a dark and stormy night ..." and end with "... and they were never seen again."

Included on a separate page, but attached to the story, should be the author's name, grade, school, phone number and parent's email address. Full contest rules

are available in all Agawam public elementary and middle schools. Entries should be deposited in the red box at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St.

The winning stories from each grade will be read at the "Star, Serenade and Stone Soup Candlelight Evening" Friday, Oct. 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Thomas Smith House.

For information about the history of Agawam and Feeding Hills or the Thomas Smith House, visit the Agawam Public Library or email AgawamHistoricalAssoc@ gmail.com.

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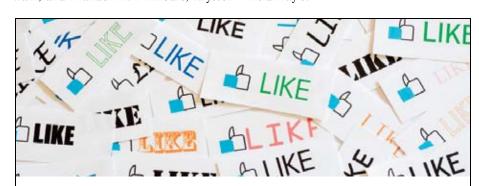
Austin Peay State University: Eric Wrisley, of Agawam, was named to the spring semester dean's list.

Eastern Connecticut State University: Skylar Downs, of Feeding Hills, has

enrolled for the fall semester. Holyoke Community College: Kayla E. Bonafilia, Christopher M. Drane, Abbra R. Godbout, Amy L. Lemire, Karen L. Moreno and Karen J. Spinelli, of Agawam; and Nicholas G. Albert, Leena D. Christopher and Jessica K. Raymond, of Feeding Hills, graduated at ceremonies held this summer. Joye E. Cavanaugh, Timothy A. Cooper Jr., Christa L. Hurley, Meghan F. Krar, Nicole M. Moreau and Lyudmila Polyova, of Agawam; and Brandon A. D'Amours, Krysten N. Perok and Mylinh Ngo Roy, of Feeding Hills, were named to the summer semester dean's list.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute: Cameron Czerpak and Paul Hotaling, of Feeding Hills, were among the more than 1,400 freshmen that joined the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute on Aug. 31 with the first day of classes.

University of Massachusetts Amherst: Kirk J. Mackinnon, Stephanie M. Karrasch and Christopher R. Murphy, of Agawam; and Abigail E. Asselin, Dee-Ann E. McCarthy, David G. Morin, Caitlin D. Simpson, Kelsi L. Watkins, and Jennifer A. Dudek, of Feeding Hills, graduated at ceremonies held May 8.



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Public Safety

POLICE LOG

The Agawam Police Department responded to 273 calls for service from Sept. 29 to Oct. 5. The department made four arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven auilty.

Wednesday, Sept. 30

Connor M. Hebda, 18, of 48 Berkshire Drive, Westfield, was arrested on a charge of malicious destruction of property under \$250.

Jordan Nelson, 18, of 9 Charles St., Westfield, was arrested on a charge of person under 21 in possession of liquor.

Thursday, Oct. 1

Jacob C. Gutowski, 22, of 44 River St., Agawam, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear.

Monday, Oct. 5

Brenda Provost, 50, of 123 South St., Agawam, was arrested on charges of operating under the influence of liquor, unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, leaving the scene of property damage, and negligent operation of a motor vehicle

FIRE LOG

The Agawam Fire Department responded to 67 EMS calls from Sept. 28 to Oct. 5, and the following emergency response calls.

On Sept. 29 at 4:35 a.m., the department responded to Regency Park Drive for alarm system sounded due to

On Sept.30 at 6:23 a.m., the department responded to Main Street for smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional.

On Sept. 30 at 7:31 a.m., the department responded to South West Street for motor vehicle accident with in-

On Sept. 30 at 9:34 p.m., the department responded to North Street for electrical wiring/equipment problem,

On Sept. 30 at 9:55 p.m., the department responded

to Cleveland Street for public service.

On Oct. 1 at 2:27 p.m., the department responded to Leonard Street to assist invalid.

On Oct. 1 at 3:50 p.m., the department responded to Silver Street for lockout.

On Oct. 2 at 11:10 a.m., the department responded to Cardinal Drive for smoke detector activation, no fire unintentional

On Oct. 3 at 10:29 a.m., the department responded to Pheasant Hill Drive for good intent call, other.

On Oct. 3 at 11:46 a.m., the department responded to Main Street for lockout.

On Oct. 5 at 8:13 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street, was dispatched and canceled en

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Bob and Carol Moccio, who live at 248 School St., said town has already taken about five feet away from their driveway for the new School Street bike path. They both said families on the road should have the right to entertain guests at their homes.

'There are birthdays and holiday, graduation parties, and deaths," said Carol Moccio. "We should be able to park cars on the side of the road."

Bob Moccio commented that cars parked on the side of the road for private parties have never been an issue.

"All of us entertain guests on occasion," said Bob Moccio. "We have parties and other gatherings sometimes. It's really not a problem. The road is wider and there is plenty of room for emergency vehicles."

Talk of a permanent parking ban started early in the summer when Councilor George Bitzas sought "No Parking" signs for Corey Street and School Street to keep the area free from traffic jams during large events such as the Summer-Fest concerts, which moved to the newly expanded School Street Park this year. After hearing feedback, Bitzas revised his position and favored a resolution that would allow Police Chief Eric Gillis to install temporary "No Parking" signs around the park during events. It was eventually found the chief already had the power to put up temporary signs, and the issue was dropped.

The permanent ban remained on the council's agenda, however, because some councilors expressed concern for public safety on the new bicycle path.

Councilor Gina Letellier added that she had concerns about not only summer concerts, but soccer tournaments and other events. She said she changed her mind after driving down the street prior to the council meeting.

"I drove the street just to refresh my memory," said Letellier. "I still do have concerns about the parking, but to ban parking on the street just for a few events each year is not the right way to do things. That and one person in favor is not enough for me."

Groups planning large events next year are asked to work with the Police Department. It is possible temporary parking bans will be issued on certain days.

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Library gallery features ice cream photos

During the month of October, the Agawam Public Library will have an exhibit by local photographer Diane Savioli-Chase. Savioli-Chase's photographs have been exhibited locally and have won awards in several local contests. The new collection of photographs, titled "Cones," is a whimsical exhibit representing America's favorite dessert.

Her obsession with taking photographs of ice cream cones started on a trip to photograph neon signs of 1950s doo-wop motels in the resort town of Wildwood, N.J. Since then, she has been on a quest to photograph more cones and has representations from travels throughout the United States as well as England, Italy and Peru. The poster-size photographs are a colorful greeting as one enters the library.

A "meet the artist" reception will be held 6-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15. Visitors during the reception can enter a drawing for a gift certificate for ice cream sponsored by the Ice Cream Shoppe.

Savioli-Chase's work will be on display on the gallery walls. Library hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Anyone interested in displaying artwork at the library may contact Cher Collins, adult services librarian, at 413-789-1550, ext. 8851, or ccollins@agawamlibrary.org for more information.

Human trafficking program open to community

Agawam schools and the Agawam Clergy Association will present the "Say Something Assembly" at Agawam High School on Tuesday, Oct. 20. All are invited to a community assembly beginning at 7 p.m. in the school's auditorium at 760 Cooper St.

The "Say Something Assembly" is designed to bring awareness to the growing issue of domestic human trafficking and empower students to "say something" if they witness it firsthand in themselves and in others.

Human trafficking is a growing threat to the freedom and welfare of students. The 3-D interactive assembly provides valuable training for students to feel confident about protecting themselves and their peers from potential high-risk behavior and choices that could have devastating consequences. Student intervention techniques also affect other critical issues highlighted in the program. The assembly offers a relevant and engaging presentation through media, testimonials and expertise.

The evening program is geared toward family members and the general public; students will attend the program during the school day. For more information, contact the Rev. Bill Pass at 413-

Fire Dept. growing mustaches to benefit Cancer Society

The Agawam Fire Department will hold a "No Shave November" mustache growing competition again this year to support the American Cancer Society. This year there's a new twist, "extra stachey goodness."

The competition will begin Oct. 9, giving firefighters an extra three weeks to cultivate creative mustaches. The change was made based on feedback from last year's competitors who felt they didn't have the time necessary to bring their facial hair into full growth.

The rules are the same this year:

1. Participants must send a headshot to the chief on day 1 showing that they have no mustache.

2. They must send a follow-up photo on Nov. 30 picturing their mustache.

3. No illegal mustache enhancements (weaves, drawn-in highlights).

4. A panel of independent judges will select a winner on Nov. 30.

Murphy's Pub at 664 Suffield St., Agawam, will again host the judging, which will be Monday, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m. The panel of judges has yet to be determined but will be announced soon.

To make a donation, visit www.no-shave. org/team/agawamfire or attend the night of the judging. Last year, over \$3,000 was raised for the American Cancer Society.

Feline Friends event at Dave's this month

Feline Friends Inc. will hold its annual "Catoberfest" from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 24, at Dave's Soda & Pet City, 151 Springfield St., Agawam. Crafters and artisans from Western Massachusetts and northern Connecticut will display their wares and unique holiday gifts. There will be a bake sale that offers an array of cookies, cakes, muffins and pastries. Complimentary coffee and apple cider will be available.

Guest stars include local firefighter Pam Murphy, who will bring an Agawam Fire Department fire truck and will have her furry companions, Dalmatian "Blaze" and cat "Pumper" in full firefighting attire. Local feline legend "Toto the Tornado Kitten" and his owner, Jonathan, will also be guests of honor. They will be selling Toto's children's books and Toto will autograph them with his paw print upon request.

Several adoptable cats will be available for viewing and Feline Friends merchandise will be for sale. Volunteers will be available to answer any questions about Feline Friends.



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Secure data drive destruction Thursday at DPW building

October is "National Cyber Security Awareness Month." On Thursday, Oct. 15, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Agawam Department of Public Works, 1000 Suffield St., Valley Green Shredding will provide a free, secure, onsite process to destroy data storage devices to ensure personal information does not end up in the hands of information thieves.

A used computer's hard drive contains old email messages; credit card, bank account and Social Security numbers; and plenty of other personal information. Just one hard drive can contain hundreds of thousands of files. When a digital file is deleted from a computer, the information actually remains on the drive, as do deleted email messages and records of all online activity. Even reformatting or overwriting may not be enough to prevent confidential, proprietary, sensitive data from being recovered by a determined individual using the right techniques and equipment.

Residents may bring up to three data storage devices per vehicle. Storage devices need to be removed from equipment prior to attending the event. No appointment is necessary. Items accepted include hard drives, solid-state drives, floppy disks, thumb drives, zip disks, optical media, backup tapes, cell phones

For more information on how to keep safe on the Internet while using computers and mobile devices, visit www.staysafeonline.org.

Fundraiser to benefit ICC scholarship

The Italian Cultural Center of Western Mass Inc. will hold a fundraiser Monday, Oct. 26, at EB's Restaurant. Ten percent of the day's total food sales will be given to the Italian Cultural Center's scholarship fund. EB's is at 385 Walnut Street Ext., Agawam.

Class of '80 plans reunion

The Agawam High School Class of 1980 will host its 35th class reunion on Saturday, Nov. 28. The reunion will be held at Oak Ridge Country Club, 850 S. Westfield St., Feeding Hills, beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$45 per person. Checks may be mailed to AHS Class of 1980, P.O. Box 163, Agawam, MA 01001 by Nov. 14. For more information, email ahsclassof1980reunion@gmail.com.

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will represent Agawam along with Fire Chief Alan Sirois.

Cichetti said he had a great time in last year's competition and made the choice to return.

"It's a lot of fun," said Cichetti. "You learn a lot and meet a lot of nice people."

For the second time, Cichetti will be dancing for the EvvGirl Foundation. The foundation was created in honor of Evan Bard, an Agawam native killed in a tragic accident in 2013. Evan had planned to become a nurse in a neonatal intensive care unit at a hospital, so her family — including Barbara Bard, the City Council's administrative assistant — set up the foundation to benefit NICUs across the state.

"It's obviously and excellent cause and I am hoping I will able to win this year," said Cichet-

Sirois said he will be dancing for the Thanks USA charity. The charity raises money for scholarships for spouses and children of servicemen and -women.

"The scholarships are given out on an asneeded basis and I was really looking to do something for veterans because I am a veteran myself," said Sirois.

While the fun and the magic will happen next Friday night, Oct. 16, beginning at 6 p.m., the hard work started as early as August.

Cichetti said he and his dancing partner, Carol O'Leary of United Bank, have been practicing for a couple of months now.

"If you want to do well in this competition, you really have to practice and rehearse," said Cichetti, who gave a little insight into his upcoming performance. "We're going to try a little bit of fox trot and box step this time around. I am going to twirl her and lift her a couple of

Cichetti said he and O'Leary did ballroom dancing and swing last year. Cichetti, like many of the local competitors, does not have any other competitive dancing experience.

Sirois will be participating in the contest for the first time. He did not attend last year's contest.

The Kiwanis Club approached me about taking part and I thought it would be a lot of fun," said Sirois. "Granted, I am coming way out of my comfort zone to do this, but it is definitely for a great cause and I'm looking forward to it."

Sirois said he is definitely playing to win for his charity and was very coy when asked how long he has been practicing and what he had learned

'We have been practicing for a while," he said. "That's all I'll say."

Tickets for the competition are \$55 and can be purchased West Springfield Credit Union at 58 Union St., West Springfield, or by calling Betty at 413-786-8727. The competition will be held Friday evening, Oct. 16, at Crestview Country Club in Agawam.

Other contestants in Dancing with the Local Stars will include Ron Campurciani, the West Side chief of police; Brian Clune, West Springfield city councilor; Dan D'Angelo, executive director of the Boys and Girls Club of West Springfield; Brittany Decker, television news reporter; Abbe McLane, attorney; and John Weiss, former president of the West of the River Chamber of Commerce. West Springfield School Superintendent Michael Richard, announced as a contestant last month, will not participate; school administrator Tim Connor will dance in his stead.

Agawam Mayor Richard Cohen confirmed he will be a judge for a second time.

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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 6:30 PM in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of the Agawam City Council on a proposed zoning amendment to Section 180 entitled "Non-Conforming Uses." A copy of the proposal can be obtained from the Agawam Planning Office between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM in the Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. BY ORDER OF:

Mark R. Paleologopoulos, Chairman Agawam Planning Board

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COMMONWEALTH OF **MASSACHUSETTS** THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT HAMPDEN, Div. Docket No. HD15E0041OC

To all persons interested in certain real estate situated at 42 Hall Street, Feeding Hills, MA.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Victor R. Cestari, personal representative of the estate of Victor P. Cestari, Sharon Wheeler,

individually, and Victor R. Cestari, individually, praying

1. That this Court enter an order declaring that Deed #3 from Victor P. Cestari to Victor R. Cestari and Sharon Wheeler, is void and of no force and effect; and

2. Grant such other relief as this Court deems just and proper, all as more fully set forth in said petition.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twentythird day of October 2015, the return day of this citation.

Witness, Anne M. Geoffrion, Esquire, First Justice of said Court, this fifth of October 2015.

Suzanne T. Seguin, Register of Probate & Family Court

10/8/15

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court 50 State Street** Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD15C0166CA In the matter of: McCartney Paige Alessi-Jensen Of: Agawam, MA NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME To all persons interested in petition described:

A petition has been presented by McCartney P. Alessi-Jensen requesting that: McCartney Paige Alessi-Jensen be allowed to change his/her/their name as

McCartney Paige Ford

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at: Springfield on or before ten o'clock in the morning (10:00 a.m.) on: 10/20/2015.

WITNESS, Hon. Anne M Geoffrion, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 22, 2015 Suzanne T. Seguin Register of Probate

10/8/15

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court 50 State Street** Springfield, MA 01103 Docket No. HD15P1791GD In the matter of: Linda Ursia Of: Agawam, MA RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **GUARDIAN FOR** INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO

G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Kindred-Country Estates of Agawam, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Linda Ursia is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Robin Therrien of Holyoke, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of 10/19/2015. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds

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person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Anne

M Geoffrion, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 21, 2015

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Thank you.

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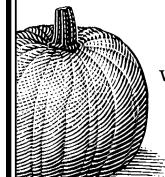
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Eastern States Exposition President Eugene Cassidy when presenting her award on Sept. 24. "You represent your family history in a very beautiful way — four generations of the Shore-Pokorny family at the Eastern States Exposition. It is an amazing thing."

She said the award was unexpected.

"I was very surprised to get the award," Pokorny added. "It's an acknowledgement of the effort I've put in to make our business a success. This award means a lot to me."

Pokorny, who has managed the beer garden full-time since graduating from college in 2012, said people are drawn to the fair year after year.

"It's nice to see how big an event this has become for Western Mass. I enjoy seeing how excited people are when they come to the Big E — especially when Agawam's kids are in the parade. That makes the day special for me."

She works year-round with her parents, Agawam residents Jeffrey and Catherine Pokorny, and other family members employed by the company her great-grandfather started in 1956: "I work with my parents almost every day - and I love it."

Carole Ramponi said she was "shocked" when presented with her Host of the Day award on Sept. 21. She has volunteered at the New England Center building for the past

"I couldn't believe it. I didn't know what to say — it was very unexpected," she said.

Ramponi added that she felt "very honored" to be chosen for the award: "I love talking to people — and I'm in awe of what people make here. I love being around the crafts, but I don't make any myself. Their talent is unbelievable."

"Carole is a very dedicated volunteer," said Jane Chapman, creative crafts coordinator. "She's extremely helpful with visitors who come to the New England Center, and is always willing to lend a hand."

Ramponi said she especially enjoys being at fair when the Big E honors Agawam.

"I don't want to miss it, so I always make sure I'm here that day," she said.

Tom Gentile helps make sure visitors find all the sights and sounds that they have come to the fair to enjoy. Gentile's dedication was recognized on Oct. 1 when he was presented with a Host of the Day award. The Agawam resident works in Information Services.

"Tom's approach to helping fairgoers navigate the fair is unique, suggesting they take a figure-eight path around the grounds to hit every attraction possible," said Cassidy at the awards presentation ceremony.

The Host of the Day award recognizes employees, vol-



Carole Ramponi was "shocked" when she was presented with a Host of the Day award. She has volunteered at the New England Center building for the past 21 years. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MIKE LYDICK

unteers and other associates of the Big E who exemplify the fair's philosophy of positive customer relations. Part of the Exposition's customer service program since 1989, it was established for individuals who go "above and beyond the call" in their interactions with fairgoers.

Pokorny, Ramponi and Gentile were selected from more than 1,500 people working this year at the Big E. Their award, called the "BiggiE," is a trophy sculpted in the likeness of the Big E mascot, Mr. BiggiE. They also received 2015 Big E commemorative gifts and were the guests of honor at the post-fair employee thank-you party.



Tom Gentile, who works in Information Services, helps make sure visitors find all the sights and sounds when they come to the fair. His dedication was recognized by Eastern States Exposition President Eugene Cassidy, who presented Gentile with a Host of the **Day award.** SUBMITTED PHOTO

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An excited group of Agawam Youth Cheerleaders showed off their talents during the Big E parade. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY MIKE LYDICK

or the town



Members of the event leadership team for the Relay for Life of Agawam, led by co-chair Janine lacolo, right, were among several Agawam groups and organizations marching in this year's Big E parade.



30. They are followed by several town officials, including members of the City Council.



School Committee members and school administrators — as well as several students holding the banner — represented Agawam's schools in the parade.



It was a wave of orange and white as AHS cheerleaders marched past the Massachusetts Building in the Agawam Day parade.



From left, Virginia McCray, Fran Cristoforo and Betty Van Dyke are members of the Agawam Senior Center's knitting club. They spent part of day during the Big E's Salute to Agawam at the New England Center building demonstrating their talents.



The Agawam Fire Department rolled out one of its antique fire trucks for the Big E crowd.



Holding an umbrella and a cup of hot coffee, Phyllis St. John (right) wasn't about to let damp weather dampen her spirits or her one day at the Big E with her best friend Christy Cox. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY MIKE LYDICK

FAIR ■ from page 1

Despite the less than ideal weather, there were still many Agawam residents at the Big E on Agawam's special day. Several of them talked about their experiences at the fair, ranked the fifth largest in the nation — and why they keep coming back year after year.

A day out together

Maryann and Jeremy Andrews usually come to the Big E at night when Agawam is honored with its special day. But this year — for the first time in 25 years — they came during the day and were pleasantly surprised to find no large crowds.

"At night, it's usually wall-to-wall people," said Maryann. "We came during the day this year because our daughter is in the daily parade this year with the high school band."

The Andrews always start their day at the fair by stopping at the Massachusetts Building. They buy lottery scratch tickets, then go to the Maine Building for baked potatoes.

In addition to visiting familiar places, Jeremy said they like the "because there's always something different to do and see." Added Maryann: "It's a nice day out together. It's relaxing."

Twenty-year tradition

Holding an umbrella and a cup of hot coffee, Phyllis St. John was determined that the damp weather wouldn't dampen her spirits — or her day — at the Big E.

'This has been our tradition for more than 20 years," said St. John, shortly after arriving with her best friend, Christy Cox of Westfield. Each year they take the day off from work, arrive early in the morning, and spend the day.

"First, we get coffee. Then, we buy a bag of mini-doughnuts and head out," said St. John. "Today will be a new adventure - we don't usually see the fair when it's raining. But we're always open to trying something new."

One of the advantages of fewer people meant they could enjoy more fair attractions without the crowds. "It's really a good day to come here," St. John added

While their annual trek to the Big E isn't always on Agawam's special day, St. John liked the idea of holding special days to honor local communities.

"It's a good thing," she said. "Every community in the area supports the Big E in some way - and vice versa. Its mutual support — they support the communities and the communities support the Big E. We're here today to support our community and the Big E."

On their agenda was seeing the circus, visiting the state buildings, checking out the crafts, and, of course, eating more fair food. Especially ice cream.

The West Springfield Firehouse Restaurant has the best ice cream," said St. John.

Busy and healthy

When Al Riberdy comes to the Big E, it's like going back 240 years.

For the past 23 years, he has given tours of the Captain John Potter mansion, built in 1776. Once the home of a Revolutionary War officer, it's one of nine 18th and 19th century buildings from Massachusetts and New Hampshire that comprise the Storrowton Village Museum. They were reassembled at the Exposition around the village's recreated, traditional town green.

Riberdy, dressed in formal 18th century attire, volunteers six days a week during the fair as a docent. "It keeps me busy, in tune with the times, and healthy," said the retired 84-year-old. "It's always fun when the kids come here and ask me if I'm Mr.

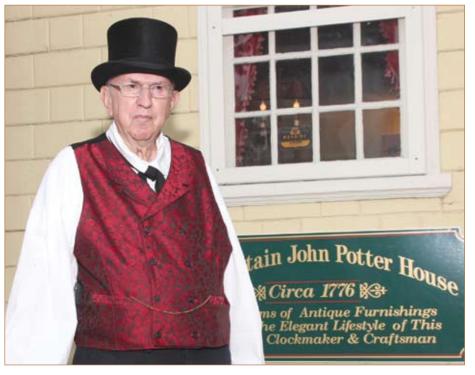
Another reason he enjoys giving tours is because life in the 18th century was sim-

"Everything was done by hand," he said. "When you see how difficult it was, you have a better appreciation of what life was like in those days."

Volunteering during the Big E gives him the opportunity to see people he knows who are touring the buildings. "I look forward to seeing people I know — from city councilors to friends from the senior golf league," he added.

When the Big E salutes his hometown, herdy usually sees more Agawam dents in the village and at shows on the green. This year, he was waiting for the high school's Marching Mohawks to perform on the green.

'My granddaughter is in the band, so



Al Riberdy – dressed in formal 18th century attire – volunteers six days a week during the fair as a docent at the Potter mansion in the Storrowton Museum Village. The retired 84-year-old has been giving tours of the house for the past 23 years.



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seeing her really makes the day special for me," he said.

Fun 'date day'

Spending the morning and early afternoon at the Big E is "date day" for Lance and Jen Dillard.

"This is our time to come to the Big E without the kids and have fun," said Lance.

"This way we get to see what we want to see instead of spending all our time at the midway rides with our son," added Jen.

After watching their son march in the parade with the Agawam Youth Football League, they planned to go to the midway. Until then, it was time for some fair favorites — a Maine baked potato and crafts for Jen, and the signature "Craz-E-Burger" for Lance.

This is definitely a tradition for us," said Jen. "There's always something to do every year, plus I like supporting the locally grown food and the locally made products sold here."

lards keep coming back.

"It's right down the street from Agawam, it's easy to get to, and it helps promote local businesses. And it's great for the kids," said Lance.



Maryann and Jeremy Andrews always start their day at the Big E by stopping at the Massachusetts Building (in the background) to buy lottery scratch tickets before making their annual trek around the fairgrounds.







FOOTBALL

Agawam quick strikes blow down Hurricanes

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM - Four touchdowns in four plays.

That was more than an accomplishment in the sometimes pouring rain conditions last Friday night as the Agawam football team trounced visiting Amherst, 59-6, at Harmon A. Smith Field.

AAfter a return, quarterback Troy Gallerani led Agawam's first drive at his own 36-yard line. His drive last a short time as he handed the ball off to Chris Morassi and the running back ran to the far right side for 64 yards and a touchdown.

A very quick three and out by Amherst would give the ball back to Agawam at Amherst's 49-yard line. Nick Scuderi was then given the ball, and ran 49 yards for a touchdown.

As if that was not enough, it was followed up by another touchdown run by Morassi on the first play of the next drive. Morassi again ran toward the sideline and was untackled for 72 yards and Agawam had a 19-0 lead with 6:08 remaining in the first quarter.

The Brownies denied Amherst's next drive and took over at Am-

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Above: Chris Morassi makes a run down the

right side. He scored three touchdowns against Amherst last week.

Left: Aiden Page kicks off after Agawam's first touchdown. Turley publications photos by greg-ORY A. SCIBELLI

FOOTBALL

Running game leading charge for Brownies

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM - In four games, Agawam is 4-0. But that is just the most important number a lot of teams are looking at.

A look inside some of the numbers shows just how successful of a season the Brownies football team is having, its third straight successful season since joining the Suburban League.

In their first four games of the regular season, Agawam has outscored the competition 191-19, a staggering statistic.

Agawam's running game has also been amazing this season. The Brownies have amassed more than 1,040 rushing yards so far this season. They have two players with more than 300 yards of rushing and many more players with positive rushing yards.

Coach John Benjamin attributes Agawam's huge running game to lot of continuity throughout the past few years, including the years he was coaching at the

junior varsity level.

"I have been running these guys on this wing offense for the last four years," said Benjamin. 'So the guys who have come up to the varsity the last few years are used to the same system."

Benjamin also said he has a very experienced offensive line that has helped protect Agawam's running backs.

Case in point was last Friday night when Agawam scored

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FIELD HOCKEY

Brownies looking in at tourney spot

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM - The Agawam field hockey team had a tough streak two weeks ago with three straight

Now, the Brownies have found out three straight wins to start October and they are looking in on a playoff spot after missing out on the tournament last year.

Agawam defeated South Hadley, Southwick, and Mohawk during the past week.

Last Thursday afternoon, Agawam felt the first really cold weather of the fall season as they took on the Warriors in the chilly, raw conditions at Agawam High



Kristen Fellion moves into the circle. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCI-

GIRLS SOCCER



Agawam's Julia Serra (3) puts the ball back in play on a free kick. TURLEY PUBLI-CATIONS PHOTO BY DAVID HENRY SWEETDOGPHOTOS.COM

Lady Falcons blank Agawam

By Nate Rosenthal

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

WILBRAHAM - The Agawam girls soccer team has been a solid squad thus far and have kept up around the .500 mark. A team, the likes of Minnechaug and its defense, proved to be too much for the Brownies in a 3-0 loss.

To their credit, the stayed with the undefeated Falcons for nearly the entire game. While they were out shot by a wide margin, it was still at 1-0 60:00 into the game. At any time a mistake could have brought the Brownies right back. In the end, the Falcons added another goal with 13-plus minutes to go and that would be the game

The Falcons made sure that the Brownies would be back on their heels early on. In the second minute, Molly Serra put an 18yarder on goal and Jenna Beach made the save. Seconds later Caleigh O'Brien was wide left with a shot from 12 yards. In the fourth, O'Brien had one from 20 yards stopped by Beach.

The Brownies managed a couple in the middle of those. Sarah Carron sent one over the goal from 25 yards in the third and Sydney O'Keefe put one on goal from 20 that Tamra Zippin was able to stop. They would have an-

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Top two



CHICOPEE - Alia Godek, a freshman at Agawam High School, shot 79 to capture first place in the Girls Western Massachusetts High School Golf Tournament, with fellow Brownie Angela Garvin coming in second place. They are supported by teammates Shelby Stathis and Isabelle Benoit. TUR-LEY PUBLICATIONS SUBMITTED PHOTO



rections to get around the Mohawk defense.

Left: Maggie Belanger vies for possession of the ball. TURLEY PUBLICA-TIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

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The offense developed a little later than usual for the Brownies, as it took most of the first half before Agawam was able to score goal. Before that, action had been back and forth with both teams have chances on each other's

Mohawk actually scored a couple of penalty corners early in the first half, but were turned away each time.

Nicole Mercadante got Agawam on the scoreboard with about 2:00 to go in the half. She took a pass from Nina Bruno and re-directed the ball into the goal for the lead.

Eliza Timms then scored her first goal of the game when she re-directed a pass from Madison Gabel to make it 2-0 right before halftime.

Timms was able to score a second time during the second half. She was able to move around a few Mohawk defenders and sent the ball past the Mohawk goalkeeper to make it 3-0.

Up three goals, the Warriors were able to get one back with about 19:00 remaining, but that was all the Agawam defense would allow as they finished off the win without allowing another

Nikki Bates got the start in goal for the Brownies and made four saves in the victory.

Last Friday afternoon, Agawam downed neighboring Southwick, 4-1, in an independent game.

The Brownies were in total offensive control of the game. They continuously peppered the Southwick goal. Sarah Power made to make 16 saves for the Rams, but allowed three goals to Agawam's Nina Bruno. Maggie Belanger also scored for the Brownies.

Bates had three saves in the

And on Monday afternoon, the Agawam was able to hold off South Hadley with a 2-1 victory.

The two teams went into the second half tied 1-1 when Agawam went ahead with a second half goal. Their defense did the rest of the work.

Bruno and Mercadante scored the goals for the Brownies and Bates made one save.

With the wins, Agawam's record increased to 6-3-1. With eight games remaining, Agawam needs just five points to qualify for the tournament.

The Brownies will host West Springfield on Friday at 7 p.m.

Late first-half strike leads Orioles

Becker delivers last-minute tally

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM - A slow-developing play at the end of the first half signaled the end of Agawam boys soccer's seven-game undefeated

Visiting Belchertown rode the late first half goal and an additional tally in the second half to shut out Agawam 2-0 and hand the Brownies their first defeat of the season.

Agawam had entered the game 4-0-3 before dropping their first of the year. The Brownies are looking to make a bigger impact in the tournament this season. The road will not go through Belchertown, which plays in Agawam's league, but ends their season playing in the Division 3 Tournament.

The impact play happened after both sides spent the first 39 1-2 minutes going back and forth with the ball. Each side had several chances to make waves, but neither was able to push a score

In the closing seconds of the first half, Evan Fournier started moving up the left side. He was able to maneuver past three Agawam defenders, and then crossed to the right where Andrew Becker re-directed the ball into the open side of the goal to make it 1-0 Belchertown with 4.9 seconds re-

Despite the deficit, Agawam was not giving up, and continued to have their opportunity at the ball during the second half.

The action was back and forth and the Orioles also had several opportunities to score on Agawam's end.

However, goalie Steven Ludtke continued to fill in admirably for starter Sean Moore. Moore has missed several games with a jaw injury and concussion. He has been on the sidelines and says he is hoping to be cleared to return to action soon.

Belchertown was able to come



Agawam's Brendan Garvey tries to keep the ball from Belchertown's Hayden Bonnis.



Nick Malerba starts an advance up the field. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY GREG-ORY A. SCIBELLI

through with another goal with about 24:00 left in the game.

Jonathan Ingram found the ball near the middle of the field and passed away to Jack Kamins. Kamins possessed the ball and made a move toward the goal. When Kamins received the ball, Ludtke made his way out of the goal to try and cut off his shooting lane, but Kamins made a turnaround shot and got the ball past Ludtke to score the second goal of

Agawam trailed by two goals

and had an opportunity to get one of the goals back in the final minute when Anthony Sciartelli was given a penalty kick for a hand ball in the box. But Belchertown's Connor Curtain, who had an amazing game in net, made the save to preserve the shutout.

Curtain finished the game with seven saves for the Orioles while Ludtke came up with nine saves for Agawam.

With the win, Belchertown has sole possession of first place in the Churchill-Moriarty League.

Agawam Little League calls for volunteers

AGAWAM - The Agawam Little League Board would like to extend an invitation to individuals that have interest in helping to make 2016 another successful season for our children.

The meeting will take place at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 18, at Take 5 Restaurant.

The agenda for this meeting is to provide information about the organization and conduct the 2015-2016 board elections. The ALL is a privately run, non-profit organization that couldn't operate without the help and support of board members, volunteers and sponsors.

The objective of Agawam Little League is to install the ideals of good sportsmanship, teamwork, physical well-being, discipline and respect for authority. We are in need of individuals in all capac-

ities. We encourage all to attend this meeting to learn more about the organization and ways that you may be able to assist.

To show our appreciation for your attendance, we will deduct \$10 from one of your child's 2016 Little League registration fee. Please visit our website at: agawamlittleleague.com for more information.

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Youth basketball registration deadline approaching

AGAWAM — The last day to sign up for the Park & Recreation In-Town Youth Basketball program for grades 3 through 8 is Friday, Oct. 9. The fee is \$65 per child and may be paid at the Park & Recreation office at 1000 Suffield St. After Oct. 9, the fee is \$90 per child.

For more information, call 413-821-0513.

Falcons tickets available

AGAWAM - The Park & Recreation Department is offering Springfield Falcons tickets

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herst's 45-yard line.

This time, Gallerani decided to get into the action himself, and took a quarterback keeper all the way to the end zone to complete Agawam's four-play, four touchdown run to give the Brownies a 25-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Agawam continued scoring in the second quarter, with Morassi getting his third touchdown of the game with a short run. Max Molta and Dominic Grassetti both came off the bench and scored touchdowns in the second quarter. Molta had a 10-yard run to the left side and Grassetti completed another drive with a 1-yard run. Agawam led 45-0 at halftime.

This led coach John Benjamin to go to his bench with Anthony Adams scoring on a 1-yard run for the Brownies in third quarter. Garrett Derosier had a 15-yard touchdown run for his first touchdown of the vear.

Amherst's only score came late in the fourth quarter against Agawam's bench.

Nine different Agawam players carried the ball. Morassi led the team with 171 yards on just four carries.

Scuderi carried the ball three times for 96 yards. Adams had 15 carries for 69 yards. Gallerani carried for 45 yards.

Benjamin said he was happy to get his second team into the game, as he has been able to a couple of times this year.

"It gets them into the game and they get some experience under the lights on a Friday night," said Benjamin. "We have been a little bit spoiled with this so far this year."

Agawam is now 4-0 this season and has a bye week before facing South Hadley on Oct. 16 at home.

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Agawam's defense completes a sack on Amherst's quarterback. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY

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Agawam's Rayna Ramirez (14) prepares to send the ball forward with her right foot.

Agawam's Jill Scherpa (5) looks to make a run up the field.

Between the 25th and 30th minutes, the Falcons were back into the Agawam end. Kuhn was wide left in the 25th from 15 yards, as was O'Brien from 12 in the 28th minute. Serra followed up O'Brien's shot with an 8-yarder that Beach handled. O'Brien was on goal from 10 yards in the

Allie Wysocki put a long distance shot on goal in the 32nd minute. It was a 35-yarder off a free kick. Zippin made the stop.

It took Minnechaug just 30 seconds into the second half to challenge Beach. O'Brien's 12-yarder was wide left. In the fifth and eighth, Beach made saves on Kuhn's 18-yarder and O'Brien's from the same distance. Michelle Normand was wide right from 20 in the 11th minute and O'Brien had a 15-yard shot stopped in the

In the 15th minute, the Brownies had their first shot of the second half, another 35 yard free kick by Wysocki. It was well

Back came the Falcons. Weisse was wide right in the 17th minute from 20 yards, but in the 21st minute, Kuhn was on target, taking a pass from Serra at 21:41 and finding the right corner for a 2-0 lead.



Agawam's Natalie Pullen (20) looks to send the ball up the field to a teammate.

In the 24th, O'Brien was nearly on the mark with a shot across the crease and in the 25th, Kuhn had her 12-yarder stopped by Beach. The Falcons kept up the pressure and with 13:56 to play, Serra made it 3-0, taking a pass from O'Brien at the 18 and sending it past Beach.

The Falcons took a few more shots in the next eight minutes. An 18-yarder by Caitlyn Bonavita in the 29th was wide right and one in the 33rd by Madison Bonavita was off to the left in. Also in the 33rd, Serra was on goal from 25 yards.

The Brownies had some opportunities to get on the board in the last 5:00 to avert the shutout. Katie Martin was on goal with a 30-yard free kick in the 34th and Bailey Laviolette was wide left from 20 in the 35th. Carron sent one over the goal in the 36th and with 12 seconds to play, Wysocki went

For the game, Beach had 12 saves with numerous other shots nearby.

For the second time in a week and a half, e Brownies played Westside and though they were held without a goal, for the second time, Beach stopped all five shots she faced and the Brownies came out of this with a scoreless tie. The previous matchup, was a 1-0 loss. Agawam is 3-3-2 on the season.

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touchdowns in the pouring rain conditions on their first four plays.

"It was definitely a big accomplishment," said Benjamin. And we had three different players scoring those touchdowns."

Benjamin also said running back Marcus Williams is nursing a sore ankle, and was barely used. Williams has been a factor in other games this year.

"We have a lot of great depth," said Benjamin. "We spread the ball around and a lot of our guys are underrated. But I think we really mix guys in well."

Not to be outdone has been Agawam's defense, which has essentially allowed one touchdown this year. Only three touchdowns have been scored against the Brownies this year, but two of them have been against Agawam's bench late in games.

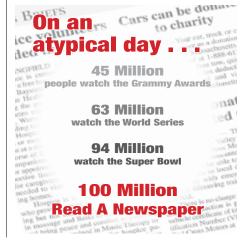
Agawam's minimum score this year was 41 and the Brownies do have a shutout this year, a 42-0 win over Commerce.

Another major key to success is not taking anything for granted.

"Myself and the coaching staff do not any of the teams we play lightly," said Benjamin. "A few people said they thought we would roll over Amherst. But we never treat our games like that. We are afraid of the next team we are going to play. We need to have that mentality."

That is definitely a good attitude for the Brownies as their final three games of the regular season will be against the three top teams in the Suburban Conference: South Hadley, Northampton, and Chicopee

"Right now, our biggest fear is South Hadley," said Benjamin. "They are who we are playing next and they have an excellent core of running backs themselves."



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other opportunity in the eighth with Natalie Pullen shooting past the left post from 10 yards.

Back at the other end, still in the eighth minute, Minnechaug had a corner kick and that led to a 25-yard shot by Ryann Kuhn that was on goal. Haley Gurski was wide left in the 10th minute. A clearing pass led to a breakaway and a shot by O'Keefe for Agawam coming from 15 yards but going off to the right.

Minnechaug then broke out with O'Brien, Gurski and Emma Weisse leading the charge. O'Brien was near midfield and she sent a pass to Weisse who was on the left some 10 yards out. Weisse found an opening between the right hand of Beach and the post and sent it past the Agawam keeper. The time was 13:05 and Minnechaug had a 1-0 lead.

The Falcons had some chances soon after. In the 16th minute, O'Brien sent a shot from the right towards the far post. Beach got there for the stop. There was a corner kick in the 17th and Serra sent a 12 yard shot on goal in the 18th minute.

In the 19th minute, Agawam was in the Minnechaug end and Carron sent one across the crease. She was also wide left in

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Saturday, Oct. 10

THE ITALIAN CULTURAL CENTER will host "Festa Italia! A Taste of Italy, Food and Wine," from 5-8 p.m. at the Cedars Banquet Hall, 375 Island Pond Road, Springfield. Free admission. Food tickets sold at the door for \$1 each. Doors open at 5 p.m. For more information, call 413-784-1492.

THE SOUTHWICK LIONS CLUB will host a tag sale today and tomorrow at the Southwick Florist, 668 College Highway. It will be held rain or shine. Proceeds from this event will help fund local scholarships, eye and hearing research and diabetes research.

THE NOBLE AND COOLEY MUSEUM and gift shop will be open all three days of the annual Granville Harvest Fair, Oct. 10-12. The museum is at 42 Water St., Granville. Harvest Fair hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Monday, and noon to 5 p.m., Sunday.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

THE FRIENDS OF SUFFIELD will hold a new member social at 7 p.m. at Three Figs Restaurant, 94 Mountain Road, Suffield. Anyone interested in finding out more about what the Friends of Suffield does for the town is invited. For more information, contact Stephanie Dolan at 860-930-0008 or email Shdolan1@gmail.com.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

THE ELM-BELCHER MASONIC LODGE, 53 River St., Agawam offers an all-you-can-eat spaghetti supper at a cost of \$8 for adults, \$4 for children. The public is

Thursday, Oct. 15

AGAWAM PARANORMAL SOCIETY will reveal its findings of paranormal activity from the Southwick Town Hall, formerly the Consolidated School, and the old Southwick Library in the Southwick Town Hall auditorium, 454 College Highway, at 6:30 p.m. The presentation is free of

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS AT THE QUADRANGLE will present "Interregional Exchange and Ceremonialism Before the Fur Trade" featuring Jess Robinson, Vermont state archaeologist, at 12:15 in the Museum of Fine Arts at 21 Edwards St., Springfield. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for museum members). Parking is free. For information, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 488.

Saturday, Oct. 17

A VENDOR FAIR will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist parish center, 833 Main St.,

A FALL FESTIVAL will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main St. Approximately 40 artisans and crafters will be present. Back by popular demand this year will be a homemade pie sale, book fair, the Country Lunch Café, raffles and the General Store.

A FREE DOCUMENT-SHREDDING EVENT for residents will take place from 9 a.m. to noon at the Department of Public Works Annex, 1000 Suffield St. Limit confidential documents to five standard size boxes. Three-ring binders and binder clips should be removed. Paper clips, staples, and spiral bound notebooks are all acceptable. For more information, contact the DPW at 413-821-0624.

INSURANCE CENTER OF NEW ENGLAND, 1070 Suffield St., Agawam, will hold "Public Safety Day" from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This free family community event will include a tour of fire engines, raffles, face painting and a K-9 demonstration. For more information, call Marie Rosema at 413-750-7109 or email mrosema@icne.

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 361 Sumner Ave., Springfield, will host a fall craft fair from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free. All proceeds to benefit the

COPPER HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 27 Copper Hills Road, East Granby, will host its annual roast pork dinner at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children under 12, no charge for preschoolers. To make a reservation, call Mary at 860-653-2834.

Sunday, Oct. 18

THE AGAWAM HISTORICAL AND FIREHOUSE MU-SEUM, 35 Elm St., will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. The museum will once again feature the exhibit, "Riverside Park — A Century as the Playground of the Connecticut Valley." The museum will close for the season after this date. For more information, visit www.agawamhistoricalassoc.webs.com.

THE MAWAGA SPORTSMEN'S CLUB will hold its annual Fall Trout Derby at 377 Adams St., Agawam. A full breakfast available beginning at 7 a.m. followed by fishing from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch also available. A \$15 donation will be accepted. No limit on trout and no license required. For more information, contact Ernie at 413-265-0851 or Gary at 413-789-0934.

THE SOUTHWICK HISTORICAL SOCIETY will present "From Purgatory to Podunk," an evening with a couple who have been to every town in Massachusetts. This free program is at 1 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 434 College Highway, Southwick.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

THE TUESDAY MORNING MUSIC CONCERTS at Trinity United Methodist Church, 361 Sumner Ave., Springfield will feature Mary Brown Bonacci, mezzo-soprano, Mark Frasesr on cello, and Estela Olevsky on piano at 10:30 a.m. A reception will follow. For more information, contact Yolanda Martin at 413-736-0766 or email firgo9654@aol.com.

Wednesday, Oct. 21

SU MECK, AUTHOR, will be the featured speaker at 10:10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. at Springfield Technical Community College's Scibelli Hall Theater as part of its Ovations series. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Philip O'Donoghue at 413-755-4233 or email pcodonoghue@stcc.edu.

Thursday, Oct. 22

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS AT THE QUADRANGLE will present "Independence and Modernity: French Impressionism" featuring Gloria Russell, art history writer, professor and retired art critic, at 12:15 in the Museum of Fine Arts at 21 Edwards St., Springfield. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for museum members). Parking is free. For information, call 413-263-6800, ext. 488.

Friday, Oct. 23

THE AGAWAM HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION will hold its fifth annual "Star, Serenade and Stone Soup Candlelight Evening" from 6-8 p.m. at the Thomas Smith House, 251 N. West St., Feeding Hills. Hearth-cooked soup, cornbread and brown bread will be served and period music will be provided. At 6:30 p.m., winners of the "scary story" contest will be reading their entries

Saturday, Oct. 24

THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 745 Main St., will hold a chicken and biscuit supper at 5:30 p.m. Tickets in advance are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. Ticket prices at the door are \$15 for adults and \$6 for children. Advance purchase is encouraged.

A CRAFT AND AGRICULTURAL FAIR sponsored by the Friends of the Southwick Public Library will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Southwick Town Hall, 454 College Highway and will include craft items and supplies, local products, a paperback book sale, raffle and refreshments. Free admission. For more information, call 413-569-6531.

THE SOUTHWICK HISTORICAL SOCIETY will host the annual "Walk with Southwick Spirits" from 2-4 p.m. at the Southwick Cemetery on College Highway.

Sunday, Oct. 25

THE AGAWAM LIONS CLUB will hold its annual Harvest Breakfast from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at the Agawam Lions Den at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield. Parking available at Gate 2, compliments of the Big E. Tickets, \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 10 and under, are available in Agawam at Bob's Barber Shop, 13 Maple St., and Southgate Liquors, 842 Suffield St. They may also be purchased at the door.

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 361 Sumner Ave., will host the grand opening of the newly constructed Community Room from noon to 2:30 p.m. All are invited. Following the ribbon-cutting ceremony, local dignitaries will speak and the Children's Chorus of Springfield will present a short program. Light refreshments will be served. A guided tour of the church will be available.

ONGOING

MOM 2 MOM takes place the second Tuesday of every month October through June, 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main St. A roundtable discussion hosted by a local "veteran" mom, this is a great way to have further conversation on recent café themes and parent education events, celebrate parenting and receive encouragement for the trials.

THE AGAWAM ST. PATRICK COMMITTEE meets the third Wednesday of each month, September through June, at 6:30 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist Rectory conference room, 833 Main St., Agawam. For information on how to join, call Vera Conway at 413-786-3247 or email Rosemary Sandline at rosemarysandlin@

THE WESTFIELD FARMERS MARKET is held every Thursday afternoon from 12:30 - 6 p.m. on the lawn of the Episcopal Church of the Atonement, 36 Court St., until Oct. 8. Free parking available. Locally grown flowers, plants, vegetables, honey and bee products, maple syrup, goat meat and goats' milk products, relishes and jams, baked goods, forested pork, free range chicken and eggs, wine, hot cider donuts, and more. SNAP EBT cards accepted. A \$5 transaction will provide SNAP customers \$10 worth of credit.

ADULT DROP-IN SIT AND KNIT meets every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. No registration needed.

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 459 Mill St., Agawam, offers "Crochet Club" every other Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This club is open to all needle-workers, including crocheters, knitters, quilters, and embroiderers. For more information, call 413-786-7991.

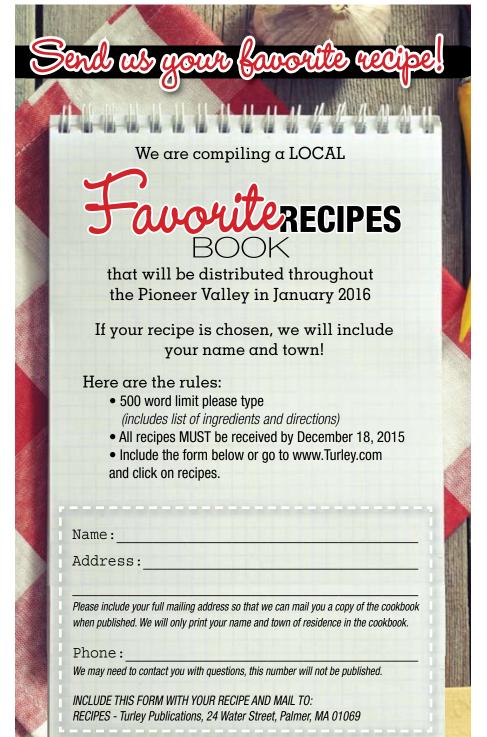
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A BREAST CANCER AND MASTECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP meets the fourth Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7:15 p.m. at 2 South Bridge Drive, Suite 1B, Agawam. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

AN ALL CANCER SUPPORT GROUP meets the first Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Center, 1061 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

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Wednesday, Oct. 14: Chicken gratin, baby potatoes, sweet corn, baked good. Thursday, Oct. 15: Beef barley soup, turkey and

cheese on whole wheat, lettuce and tomato, Friday, Oct. 16: Sweet potato-crusted cod, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables, mixed fruit.

Calendar of Events

Monday, Oct. 12: Senior Center closed. Columbus

Tuesday, Oct. 13: 9 a.m., no exercise class today, knitting class, sewing class; 10 a.m., Computer Club meets; 12:30 p.m., mah jongg, movie ("Far from the Madding Crowd"; 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 2:30 p.m., chorus; 4:30 p.m., yoga; 6 p.m., beginner line dance.

Wednesday, Oct. 14: 8 a.m., weight training; 8:15 a.m., yoga; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 10 a.m., Friends meeting; 12:30 p.m., bridge; 1 p.m., Scrabble, ballroom lessons; 1:30 p.m., Golden Agers Chapter 1 60th anniversary luncheon, Jack Welch, CPA available (appt. only); 5:30 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Thursday, Oct. 15: 9 a.m., exercise class; 9:30 a.m., quilting class; 10 a.m., line dancing; 12:30 p.m., bridge, Investment Club meeting; 1 p.m., open art class, pitch; 6:30 p.m., evening line dancing.

Friday, Oct. 16: 8 a.m., yoga; 9:15 a.m., all media art; 10 a.m., tai chi; noon, canasta; 1 p.m., pitch, cribbage; 5:30 p.m., no Zumba Gold.

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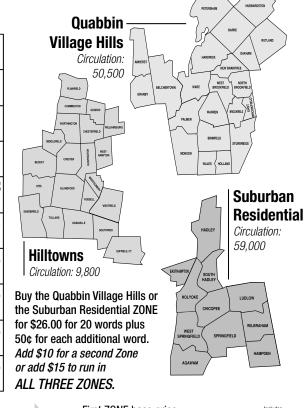
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Our Town

Scott-Smith sworn in



Special Police Officer Brian Scott-Smith was sworn in at Agawam Town Hall Tuesday, Sept. 29. From left, Mayor Richard Cohen, Scott-Smith and Police Chief Eric Gillis. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Old glory



Agawam resident Barbara Howard planted this morning glory 10 years ago at the base of a 24-foot flagpole in her front yard at 90 Parker St. It has come up every year since. Howard discovered the first year she had it, that in order to prevent the plant from getting tangled up in the flag, the flag must be taken down each year shortly after Memorial Day. SUBMITTED PHOTO



Faculty awarded chairs at STCC recently included, from left, Gary Masciadrelli of Agawam, Beth McGinnis-Cavanaugh of Springfield, and Paul Thornton of Chicopee. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Masciadrelli awarded \$3K at STCC

SPRINGFIELD — Springfield Technical Community College recently announced a professor from Agawam as one of three recipients of endowed chairs.

Gary Masciadrelli, a professor and department chair in mechanical engineering technology, was awarded the Joseph J. Deliso Sr. Endowed Chair, which comes with a \$3,000 grant, half of which is used for the individual's professional development and half for department needs. He will use the funds to update software in his department to an industry standard product called PC-DMIS for coordinate measuring machines.

"It is truly an honor receiving the Deliso Endowed Chair this year," said Masciadrelli. "It is particularly satisfying when I reflect on the growth the mechanical engineering technology department has experienced over these last few years. As I begin my 29th year, this award is the exclamation mark on the exciting and fascinating career I have enjoyed at STCC."

Each year, STCC faculty are

nominated for an endowed chair by their colleagues and then invited to apply. Applications are reviewed by an award selection committee comprised of faculty and staff. Winners are then selected by the STCC Foundation Executive Committee.

Other awardees this year were Beth McGinnis-Cavanaugh, of Springfield, as the recipient of the Anthony M. Scibelli Endowed Chair, and Paul Thornton, of Chicopee, as another recipient of the Joseph J. Deliso Sr. Endowed Chair.

Free document shredding Oct. 17 for residents

The town of Agawam will host a free document-shredding event for residents from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Oct. 17, at the Department of Public Works Annex, 1000 Suffield St.

Mayor Richard Cohen said shredding is not only environmentally beneficial but also provides a safe place for the disposal of confidential papers to prevent identity theft.

"I am sure that this shredding event will be as successful as the past ones," he said.

The Federal Trade Commission estimates that as many as 10 million Americans have their identities stolen each year. Identity theft starts with the misuse of personal identification information. Documents such as old bank statements, legal documents, medical records, tax records, receipts, invoices, utility bills, canceled checks and statements containing credit card numbers, birth dates, signatures, passwords and PINs are all items that should be shredded to avoid identity theft. For more information, visit www.consumer.ftc.gov.

Valley Green Shredding will provide an on-site mobile shred unit to securely and confidentially shred residential documents for free. Residents are asked to limit their confidential documents to five standard-size boxes. All three ring binders and binder clips should be removed. Paper clips, staples, and spiral-bound notebooks are all accept-

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Last week's photo: Correctly identifying Jeff Machia was Danielle Baker.



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11:00 Agawam High School Band 12:00-3:00 Balloon Rides (tethered)

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3:00 50/50 Drawing

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